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- Except for the Figh Command and several officers training schools, troops of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam (DRV) have no fixed encampments. Tegular army troops are billeted in villages, sharing dwellings with the inhabitants.
- DRY forces are mobile for reasons of security and supply. They must be garrisoned in villages which have a sufficient number of dwellings to house them and which are close to sources of supply. When a battalion has stared two weeks in one village, it will move out to preclude its whereabouts being determined by the enemy. It will be replaced by another battalion, often of the same regiment, so that although the troops move constantly, there is simply a rotation of units among a limited number of villages.
- Then a unit moves towards a front, it nearly always moves at night or in the early norning. Guns and armunition are wrapped in mats and sent forward several hours in advence, while the rice supply is transported ahead on the backs of coolies. The coolies move in long single lines and are therefore easily spotted.
- Inasmuch as taxes have been collected in kind since Tay 1950, and stockmiles of rice have been set up in a number of places, the problem of supply is no longer so great. However, units are still obliged to obtain veretables from the nearest markets.
- Almost all DRV troops suffer from malaria and find it almost impossible to obtain medicines.

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